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SENATE BILL 1455

AN ACT

AMENDING SECTION 28-7044, ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES; RELATING TO STATE HIGHWAYS AND ROUTES.

(TEXT OF BILL BEGINS ON NEXT PAGE)

1 Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Arizona:

2 Section 1. Section 28-7044, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to
3 read:

4 28-7044. Signs; safety and informational signs; contracts;
5 website

6 A. The director shall:

7 1. Prescribe standard board and road signs or other devices and
8 provide a uniform system of marking and signaling on state routes and state
9 highways that correlate with and as far as possible conform to the system
10 approved by the American association of state highway officials.

11 2. Regulate the use of advertising signboards and road signs on state
12 roads or state highways.

13 B. AT THE REQUEST OF A THIRD PARTY, THE DIRECTOR SHALL CONTRACT WITH
14 THE THIRD PARTY TO FURNISH, INSTALL, MAINTAIN AND REPLACE SAFETY AND
15 INFORMATIONAL SIGNS ON HIGHWAYS IN THIS STATE. THE DIRECTOR SHALL DETERMINE
16 THE LOCATION OF THE SIGNS SO THERE IS NO ADVERSE EFFECT ON THE PUBLIC HEALTH,
17 SAFETY OR WELFARE. THE SIZE AND DESIGN OF THE SIGNS SHALL BE DETERMINED BY
18 THE DIRECTOR, EXCEPT THAT THERE SHALL BE A SEPARATE SIGN AT THE BOTTOM OF
19 EACH SAFETY AND INFORMATIONAL SIGN THAT STATES "THIS SIGN IS SPONSORED BY
20 _____ (THE THIRD PARTY'S NAME)". A CONTRACT ENTERED INTO PURSUANT
21 TO THIS SUBSECTION SHALL BE FOR A PERIOD OF FIVE YEARS. THE THIRD PARTY
22 SHALL AGREE IN THE CONTRACT TO:

23 1. FURNISH, INSTALL, MAINTAIN AND REPLACE THE SAFETY AND INFORMATIONAL
24 SIGNS.

25 2. REIMBURSE THE DEPARTMENT THE COST OF THE SIGN AS DETERMINED BY THE
26 DIRECTOR PLUS TWENTY PER CENT OF THE COST OF THE SIGN TO SUPPLEMENT HIGHWAY
27 MAINTENANCE IN THE TRANSPORTATION DISTRICT IN WHICH THE SIGN IS LOCATED.

28 C. THE SAFETY AND INFORMATIONAL SIGN SHALL BE INSTALLED WITHIN NINETY
29 DAYS AFTER A THIRD PARTY REQUEST PURSUANT TO SUBSECTION B. AT THE DISCRETION
30 OF THE THIRD PARTY, THE SIGN MAY BE PROVIDED AND INSTALLED BY THE DEPARTMENT
31 OR A HIGHWAY CONTRACTOR APPROVED BY THE DEPARTMENT.

32 D. WHEN THE CONTRACT ENTERED INTO PURSUANT TO SUBSECTION B EXPIRES,
33 THE DEPARTMENT SHALL ATTEMPT TO RENEW THE CONTRACT WITH THE THIRD PARTY. IF
34 THE THIRD PARTY DOES NOT WANT TO RENEW THE CONTRACT:

35 1. THE DEPARTMENT SHALL ADVERTISE ON THE SEPARATE SIGN ON THE BOTTOM
36 OF THE SAFETY AND INFORMATIONAL SIGN AS PRESCRIBED BY SUBSECTION B THAT THE
37 SAFETY AND INFORMATIONAL SIGN IS AVAILABLE FOR SPONSORSHIP. THE
38 ADVERTISEMENT SHALL INCLUDE THE DEPARTMENT'S WEBSITE ADDRESS AT WHICH PERSONS
39 INTERESTED IN SPONSORSHIP MAY ACCESS INFORMATION ON HOW TO CONVEY THEIR
40 INTEREST TO THE DEPARTMENT.

41 2. THE DEPARTMENT MAY:

42 (a) ENTER INTO A NEW CONTRACT WITH A DIFFERENT THIRD PARTY.

43 (b) MAINTAIN AND REPLACE THE SAFETY AND INFORMATIONAL SIGNS.

44 E. THE DEPARTMENT'S WEBSITE SHALL CONTAIN SAFETY AND INFORMATIONAL
45 SIGN SPONSORSHIP INFORMATION AND CONTACT INFORMATION.